

Lewiston Economic Development Authority Minutes

July 22, 2013

The Lewiston Economic Development Authority met at 5:00 pm on July 22, 2013

Present: Jon Nienow, John Stiles, Sharon Trester, Russ Buege (5:03) & Phil Kalmes (5:06)

Absent: Larry Rupprecht, John Prigge

Others: Brian Moehnke, Barb Bartelson

Meeting was called to order by Nienow at 5:00 pm.

Approve Agenda: The July agenda was approved as the Old City Hall and Other Business & Discussion were switched to accommodate the guest.

Approve Minutes: The June 24th, 2013 minutes were approved

Other Business & Discussion: Barb Bartleson, representing Heartland Days came to speak with the EDA. Heartland Days had a good year financially. Barb apologized for not putting the EDA on the advertisement in the paper. The EDA implored that we work together in a proper timeline next year to get the fireworks set up next year. Jon Nienow mentioned the idea of having the EDA do a separate advertising for the firework show. The EDA will get quotes on the 2014 Fireworks show in the near future.

The Ponds Project: Brian gave an update on where the project was and is. We are currently mowing some of the grasses and weeds because they took off from 3 foot to 6 foot in a matter of weeks. We are waiting to hear back from Daryl Buck & Don Ramsden on what to do next.

Lewiston Trail Plan: The Winona County Trail plan has been approved. The City of Lewiston needs to finalize their part of the plan and to submit it to the City Council. Annexing land out to the Ponds & Wastewater facility will be looked into to help encapsulate the trail & park system for Lewiston and give the City more control of the planning.

MnDOT Hwy 14 Landscaping: No new updates; Brian has an email out to the engineer waiting for a finished plan.

Financial Report: Finances were status quo. We talked about how to help one of our businesses which has an RLF loan out to them as they struggle to get their payments to the EDA.

Old City Hall: Speltz is no longer interested in the building and we have had other people come forth inquiring more about the opportunity. Brian will keep up these conversations while looking for alternatives as well.

Adjourned at 6:15

Prepared by: Brian Moehnke